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AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

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TAGS: AFIN, PP

SUBJECT: INCREASED ALLOWANCES FOR NEPALESE PARAMEDICAL  
STUDENTS

REF: PORT MORESBY 0114 #

1. NEPALESE STUDENTS HAVE NOW FOUND SUITABLE QUARTERS  
WITH FOOD WHICH WILL COST EACH AUSTRALIAN DOLS 7. PER DAY.  
WE UNDERSTAND THESE TWO TRAINEES HAVE BEEN SENT BY USAID  
BEFORE TO MANILA, BANGKOK AND ONE TO JAMAICA AND HAVE A  
BASIS FOR COMPARING COSTS AND HOUSING AMENITIES WHICH  
WE DO NOT. THEY BELIEVE THE FOLLOWING COSTS ARE  
REASONABLE.

2. THEY ARE REQUESTING AUSTRALIAN DOLS 425. PER MONTH  
EACH. THEY NOTED THAT HAD THEY STAYED IN THE STUDENT  
HOSTEL AT AUSTRALIAN DOLS 10. A FORTNIGHT THEY WOULD  
HAVE HAD AUSTRALIAN DOLS 250. A MONTH POCKET MONEY.  
THUS THEY BELIEVE THAT THE AUSTRALIAN DOLS 215. IN  
EXCESS OF ACTUAL ROOM AND BOARD EXPENSES IS REASONABLE.  
THIS IS A JUDGMENT YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE. THEY MADE IT  
CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO  
REMAIN HERE IF THEY DO NOT RECEIVE AN ADEQUATE STIPEND.

3. ANOTHER PROBLEM DEVELOPING IS CONCERN OF SOME  
COLLEGE OFFICIALS THAT NEPALESE STUDENTS ARE TOO HIGHLY  
TRAINED FOR THE COURSES OFFERED HERE. STUDENTS THEM  
SELVES HAVE EXPRESSED SOME MISGIVINGS, BUT BELIEVE  
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IT IS TOO EARLY TO JUDGE USEFULNESS OF TRAINING.

4. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST RE FINANCING.  
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